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In re application of:  
Yoshinori Muramatsu

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Filing Date: December 5, 2000

For: **IMAGE SENSOR AND METHOD OF  
DRIVING THE SAME**

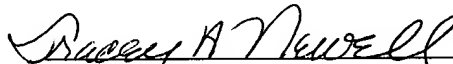
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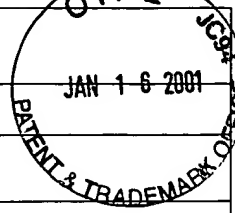
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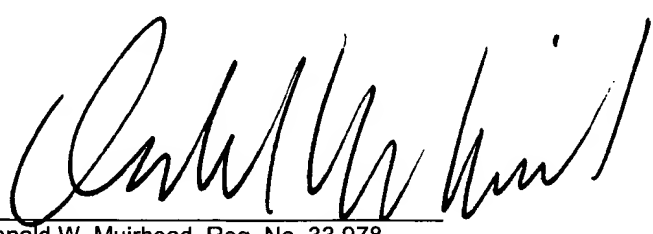
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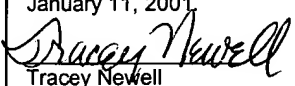
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